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2. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THE REPORT THAT APPEARED
IN THE TIMES THIS MORNING ON AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL'S
WEBSITE OF A LIST OF OVER 2,000 NAMES OF DISAPPEARED
PERSONS IN ARGENTINA?

A. WE HAVE BEEN DEEPLY CONCERNED OVER THE PATTERN OF
DISAPPEARANCES THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN ARGENTINA,
INCLUDING REPORTED OFFICIAL ABDUCTIONS. WE HAVE RAISED
MOST OF THESE REPORTED CASES WITH ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES
AND HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON THEM. WE WILL CONTINUE
TO PRESS FOR INFORMATION. WE HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY
THE VIRTUAL CESSATION OF DISAPPEARANCES OVER THE PAST
FOUR MONTHS AND LOOK TO THE ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES TO
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BRING THEM TO A DEFINITIVE END.

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Q. WHEN IS THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION GOING TO MAKE ITS ON-SITE INSPECTION IN ARGENTINA?

A. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE COMMISSION IS CONSIDERING POSSIBLE DATES AND WILL DISCUSS THEM WITH THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT. -WE HOPE THAT THE COMMISSION CAN VISIT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Q. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF BILLY LEE HUNT?

A. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION WE HAVE RECEIVED, HUNT WAS ABducted ON APRIL 9, 1977 IN MENDOZA BY UNIDENTIFIED MEN IN PLAIN CLOTHES. WE HAVE MADE SEVERAL REQUESTS TO THE ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES FOR INFORMATION ON HIS WHEREABOUTS BUT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO ADVISE WHERE HE IS OR WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO HIM. THE MOST RECENT REPLY TO A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED ON JANUARY 18, 1979 AND STATED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NO RECORD OF HIS ARREST OR INFORMATION ON HIS WHEREABOUTS. VANCE

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